

Docket No.: 44239-071



PATENT

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of : Customer Number: 20277  
Hiroharu TANAKA : Confirmation Number: 1208  
Serial No.: 09/661,798 : Group Art Unit: 2852  
Filed: September 14, 2000 : Examiner: M. Carter

For: IMAGE DETERMINING APPARATUS CAPABLE OF PROPERLY DETERMINING IMAGE AND IMAGE FORMING APPARATUS UTILIZING THE SAME

**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**

Mail Stop Restriction Requirement  
Honorable Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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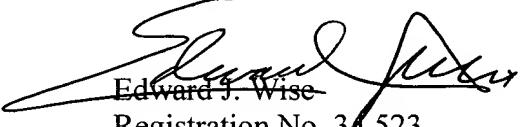
Sir:

Noting the Office Action of July 28, 2004 wherein restriction has been required, Applicant(s) hereby elect Group II (claims 9-20) for prosecution in the above-identified application.

To the extent necessary, a petition for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 is hereby made. Please charge any shortage in fees due in connection with the filing of this paper, including extension of time fees, to Deposit Account 500417 and please credit any excess fees to such deposit account.

Respectfully submitted,

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